## ABSOLUTE RATING: Good IMPROVEMENT RATING: Good

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 83.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to good. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

### **RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD**

Absolute Rating Good

Improvement Rating Good

2001 2002

2003

2004 (Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

### PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS

Our School

Schools With Students Like Ours









Mathematics English/ Language Arts

Mathematics

English/ Language Arts

Advanced







### **DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:**

- Advanced Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient Student performance met expectations.
- Basic Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT				
	English/			Social
Student Group	Language Arts	Math	Science	Studies
All students (n=261)	78.9	75.9	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than				
Speech (n=24)	N/A	N/A		
Students without disabilities (n=234)	82.5	80.5		
Gender				
Male (n=127)	77.2	78.9		
Female (n=131)	82.4	73.5		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=116)	69	65		
Hispanic (n=1)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=138)	88.4	84.9		
Other (n=2)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=186)	76.9	72.7		
Pay for lunch (n=72)	87.5	84.9		

# SCHOOL PROFILE INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
	Our School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
<ul> <li>Dollars spent per student</li> </ul>	\$6,464	N/A	\$5,524	\$5,347
<ul> <li>Prime instructional time</li> </ul>	90.2%	Up from 89.9%	89.4%	90.2%
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	16.5 to 1	N/A	18.1 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=561)				
<ul> <li>Attendance Rate</li> </ul>	96.3%	Up from 96.2%	96%	96.2%
<ul> <li>Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level</li> </ul>	8.9%	N/A	6.3%	4.1%
<ul> <li>Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level</li> </ul>	7.7%	N/A	5.2%	3.1%
<ul> <li>First graders who attended full day kindergarten</li> </ul>	97%	Down from 100%	6 96.7%	96.3%
<ul> <li>Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Retention rate	3.1%	Up from 2.9%	4.5%	3.6%
TEACHERS (n=50)				
<ul> <li>Professional Development days per teacher</li> </ul>	11.2 Days	Up from 8.1	7.9 Days	7.6 days
Attendance Rate	95.5%	Up from 95.3%	94.7%	95.1%
<ul> <li>Teachers with advanced degrees</li> </ul>	38%	Up from 35.4%	42.1%	47.7%
Continuing contract teachers	76%	Up from 75%	80.6%	83.8%
Teachers with out-of-field permits	0%	Down from 2.1%	0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from the previous school year	87.9%	Down from 91.3	% 86.3%	87.2%
Average teacher salary	\$36,475	Up 7.4%	\$36,588	\$37,520

### SCHOOL FACTS

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
	Our School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
<ul> <li>Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries</li> </ul>	62.4%	N/A	64.5%	65.3%
<ul> <li>Principal's years at the school</li> </ul>	1	N/A	3	4.0
<ul> <li>Parents attending conferences</li> </ul>	99%	N/A	95.7%	95.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
On academic plans	54.4%	Up from 22.8%	51.9%	43.1%
<ul> <li>On academic probation</li> </ul>	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
<ul> <li>Older than usual for grade</li> </ul>	0.9%	Down from 1%	1.6%	1.1%
<ul> <li>Suspended or expelled</li> </ul>	37	N/A	2	1
Gifted and talented	6.9%	Up from 5.8%	7.8%	11.5%
With disabilities other than speech	14.2%	Up from 6.3%	8.9%	8.4%

## PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

This school year has been a year of great progress and achievement at Homewood Elementary! Our students and teachers have made great strides in the areas of teaching and learning. Among the academic and service-oriented accomplishments are:

- -92.1% of first grade students scored "ready" on the CSAB.
- -Our school was one of 8 schools in the county to receive our school district's Pacesetter Award for significant achievement in meeting last year's performance goals (based on significant progress on PACT scores since the first year of testing).
- -One of our fifth grade students was named the Horry County Schools winner in the Lt. Governor's Essay Contest.
- -Homewood students are recognized on the Governor's Reading Honor Roll.
- -A record was broken when our students collected 3,700 cans of food for donation to Helping Hands.
- -Homewood students met and exceeded an Acts of Kindness challenge by performing 2,448 acts of justice and kindness in a two-week period.

Our school was in its second year of implementation of a grant that was awarded to focus on the area of writing. Homewood was also awarded a mobile laptop classroom grant. The group of fifteen laptops moves from room to room as needed. The students have opportunities to work on integrated tasks involving the Internet and application software packages used in our world today.

2001-2002 will prove to be another successful year with efforts concentrating on increasing daily parental involvement and a strong emphasis on mathematics. Finally, in May of 2001, our school population had its official groundbreaking marking the start of a new phase in Homewood history. Our Homewood students will be moving into a "New Homewood" in August 2002.

Anna Cutaia-Leonard, Principal



Homewood Elementary 2711 Hwy. 701 North Conway, SC 29526

**Grades PK-5 Elementary School** 

Enrollment: 561 Students

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### THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

<b>Annual School</b>	
Report Card	

2001

School Grade: Good

#### **EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS**

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	95.7	88.5	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	87.0	69.7	
Satisfied with home-school relations	66.0	85.3	

#### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

### South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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